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MEMORANDUM FOR: Executive Director, NPIC

SUBJECT : Interim Report on China-North Korea Branch Reorganization

REFERENCE : Memorandum for DDI [] of 21 April 1970

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This is an interim report relative to the referenced memorandum. Comments below are keyed to related subparagraphs of paragraph 8 in Mr. Lundahl's memorandum to the DDI.

1. The reorganization of the China Section of the China-North Korea Branch of EGD/IEG has been effected and the Photo Interpreters have been assigned provincial areas of responsibility under the supervision of 3 section chiefs. Additionally, 3 PIs have been assigned responsibility for 3 municipalities -- Peking, Tientsin and Shanghai.

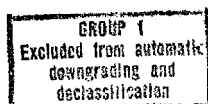
2. Of the 31 PIs authorized, 28 are on board (2 are now attending the DIA Advanced Sensor PI School at Offutt AFB, Omaha) and 3 are in the recruiting pipe line. In order to accomplish a special direct support study for CIA/OSR -- an analysis of the military situation in the Lan Chou military region -- 2 PIs from the Scientific Division and 2 PIs from the Missiles and Space Division have been reassigned to the China-North Korea Branch. As they gain experience, these PIs will give us additional depth in the provinces within this Military Region or be prepared to assist in other areas of China.

3. Province Area Studies are well under way in two areas at this time (Tibet and Sinkiang). It is believed studies will progress faster in the remaining provinces and autonomous regions as the PIs assigned finish a prescribed target validation and search procedure of their assigned areas. A sense of involvement is developing among the PIs which will be a motivating factor and should result in more accurate assessments of actual and potential targets within China. Backup is designed into the military region teams for multi-province military regions and is specified for single province military regions (Tsinan, Chengtu, Tibet and Sinkiang). This is necessary to provide coverage during periods of leave or training.

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4. Division and branch level adjustments toward strengthening of management have been accomplished. At the section level, the deputy section chief slots have been purposely left unfilled. These slots are to be filled after province assignments are complete and further evaluation of personnel is accomplished.

5. A training program is being developed. External training is being programmed and tailored to individual needs relative to assignment and grade. Internal training and updating is being accomplished by branch briefings, and to date meetings with specialists in AE, SSM and the Sino/Soviet Border. The Advanced Sensor PI course at Offutt is being used to qualify recruits (2 above) and update experienced PIs who are lacking in formal PI training.

6. Target review is progressing slowly now, but an upturn can be expected as the PIs "master" their provinces. We are making progress, having deleted 72 China COMIREX and NPIC requirements against a current COMIREX target count of 2087 and approximately 4000 NPIC targets.

NOTE: Part of this increase to 2087 COMIREX targets from the June figure of 1850 is due to the splitting of the targets.

7. New light tables are on order and delivery is scheduled to begin in October with all to be delivered by June 1971. EGD will receive their share of these tables at the earliest opportunity. Meanwhile, it is planned to lease other improved light tables until these 1540 light tables are available. Again, EGD will receive its share of these leased tables. Improved microstereoscopes are also due for introduction into EGD during this period with sufficient number of these improved models received by December to permit operational use in EGD.

Research continues on additional equipment to improve our scan and search capabilities.

Chief, Imagery Exploitation Group
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TO	INITIALS	DATE	REMARKS
DIRECTOR	5	8/1	1st FYI
DEP/DIRECTOR	3	8-6	
EXEC/DIRECTOR	2	8/5	
SPECIAL ASST	1	8/5	
ASST TO DIR	4	8/11	Follow-up report from IEG on the Wuchai aftermath - progress is being made.
HISTORIAN			
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Did you see this aftermath info?
If not, should it?
Why not?
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I discussed this with JJA yesterday. He saw no need to send to DDI.
OK
But know where this is in case EP asks!
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